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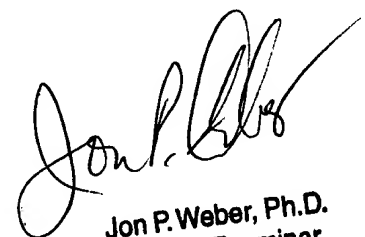
In the written restriction requirement set forth in the office action of September 21, 2001, applicant was required to elect an invention AND to elect a single disclosed species from each of the categories listed on page 4, Lines 4-11 of the said Office action. In response to this requirement, applicant elected Group I but failed to elect a species of composition from among each of the listed categories that pertain to the elected invention (Group I, encompassing Claims 1-12) See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a). *four*

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